A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Approval of Amendment to Personnel Rules

FOR the purpose of indicating approval by the General Assembly of Maryland of the amendments to the Standard Travel Regulations adopted by the Board of Public Works on January 23, 1975.

WHEREAS, Section 245 (c) of Article 41 requires that the amendment of any rule or regulation which increases an agency's expenditures beyond budgetary limitations must receive the express approval of the General Assembly when the Legislature is in session; and

WHEREAS, At a meeting of the Board of Public Works on January 23, 1975, amendments to the Standard Travel Regulations issued by the Department of Personnel were adopted. These amendments, effective January 1, 1975, will increase State expenditures beyond budgetary limitations as follows:

1. Increase the maximum reimbursement for meal allowance from \$10 per day to \$12 per day as follows:

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| Breakfast | \$ 1.75 | \$ 2.00 |
| Lunch | 2.00 | 2.50 |
| Dinner | 6.25 | 7.50 |
| | \$10.00 | \$12.00 |

- 2. Modify the requirement with respect to reimbursement for lunch.
- 3. Permit reimbursement at rates above the limitation if the cost of meals is part of a flat-rate per diem expense allowance; and

WHEREAS, The amount of funds requested in the 1975 budget allowances for meal reimbursement was based on the Standard Travel Regulations in effect as of July 1, 1974, and reimbursement for the new amounts will require that funds for other expense objects be utilized; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the General Assembly approves the amendments to the Standard Travel Regulations adopted by the Board of Public Works at its meeting on January 23, 1975; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning.